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Reimbursement of Nutrition Services For Children with Special Health Care Needs

A challenge to implementing nutrition services for children with special health care needs is obtaining an adequate method of reimbursement. Parents, health care providers, and Registered Dietitians are often unaware of potential sources of reimbursement and nutrition services available from various federal, state, local, and private programs.

There are many programs in the State of Wisconsin that are potential sources of reimbursement and/or provide nutrition services.

Programs that are potential sources of reimbursement and/or provide nutrition services include the following:

- Birth to 3 Program
- Food Stamp Program
- Head Start and Early Head Start
- Indian Health Services
- Medicaid Program
- Newborn Screening Program
- Private Insurance, HMO, PPO, MCO
- School Nutrition Program
- TRICARE
- Women, Infant & Children Program (WIC)

(Information sheets follow that summarize the nutrition services provided by each of these programs.)

Reimbursement Resources

- 1. American Dietetic Association Health Care Finance Team: (800) 877-1600 or reimburse@eatright.org
- 2. American Dietetic Association reimbursement web site: www.eatright.org/gov/reimbursement.html
- 3. Wisconsin Dietetic Association reimbursement representative: (888) 232-8631
- 4. "Nutrition Entrepreneur's Guide to Reimbursement Success." The Nutrition Entrepreneurs Dietetic Practice Group. Chicago, IL: The American Dietetic Association, 1999
- 5. "Resources for Understanding MNT Coding and Reimbursement": www.eatright.org/gov/resources.html

For more information related to nutrition services for Children with Special Health Care Needs or to obtain a copy of "Directory of Dietitians Serving Children with Special Health Care Needs", contact:

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